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THE LATEST FROM NOME.

Messrs. McRae and Nagle Bring a Budget of News.

The Camp Is Quiet—Fully 800 People Met on the Trail—Big Rush Anticipated in the Spring.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

R. R. McRae and F. H. Nagle the two messengers from Nome in the employ of the J. S. Kimball Co., of San Francisco, were interviewed by a representative of the Nugget last night. They do not carry any regular mail and report passing the U. S. mail at Fort Yukon.

They report plenty of food at Nome when they left, January 6th, and do not anticipate any shortage this winter only on cream, which was selling for \$1 a can when they left.

Real estate is held at exorbitant prices, far in excess of its value, and a full lot on the business part of the city cannot be obtained for any reasonable amount, as lots are subdivided into small fractions on which temporary buildings of all shapes and sizes are erected. Corrugated iron buildings are built in many instances, but the majority of structures are of sawed lumber, there being no logs in the vicinity of the city. The houses are lined with building paper and are quite comfortable, there being no particular discomfort experienced during the winter.

The winds are not severe, but are of sufficient strength to blow the ice away from the beach if a strong off shore wind should arise, the ice returning when the wind sets in the opposite direction.

During the past few months there has been a great many stampedes up and down the coast, but no important discoveries have been made. Other than this, everything is very quiet and all are looking forward eagerly to the spring.

Gold dust is used as a medium of exchange almost exclusively, principally beach dust, although some creek gold is in circulation. Some little work is being done on the beach this winter, but not to any great extent, a few claims putting out winter dumps and some of the "beach combers" rocking in their cabins.

When asked if Nome would reach the expectations of those going, Mr. McRae answered very cautiously, stating that the country was good, but it was hard to say how things would shape themselves, as so many people contemplated going that the camp would doubtless be overdone. He reports the trail quite rough between Circle and Dawson, but a fair trail below that point all the way down the river. The best trail is below Fort Yukon, but they encountered head winds as far up the river as Rampart.

They estimate that they have passed fully 800 people on the river bound for Nome, seeing many deserted and empty cabins all along the trail. They have met a number of people going down the trail with absolutely no outfit of any description. Some with dogs and no food, others with food and no dogs, dragging along a loaded sled. There is plenty of provisions all along the line, except bacon and rice which is scarce. There is one point, however, a distance of 225 miles, between Rampart and Weare, where no provisions are obtainable as there is no post in that section, consequently provisions must be obtained in sufficient quantities at Rampart going down to last that distance.

Betsch was seen at Rampart on the 4th of February and was traveling slowly, his dogs being in bad shape from overwork. There were three men in his party, Mr. and Mrs. Betsch being in excellent health. Miss Gates was passed at Fort Yukon in splendid health and spirits.

Mr. McRae believes that steamers can get in to Nome next spring much earlier from the outside than down the

river, as the first steamers can get into Nome about June 1st. It might be possible, however, he added that the cut off could be made the latter part of May by skirting the mountains along the shore, but it would be very arduous.

Mr. McRae intends returning to Nome this spring and is now on his way to San Francisco to report to his company. He leaves for the outside in a few days.

Fight in the Dominion.

At noon today a lively fracas occurred in the Dominion saloon. While playing faro bank, Mike Foley, a local sport, who was intoxicated, used very abusive language towards George Gillet, the dealer of the game. Foley's abuse and repeated threats finally incited Gillet, who left his position from behind the table and struck the drunken man over the head with a stool. Foley fell to the floor. He was almost immediately taken to the office of Dr. Sutherland for medical treatment. An examination of the injured man's head showed several serious cuts, two of which required several stitches each.

POLICE COURT.

In the absence of Major A. B. Perry, who left yesterday on a business trip to Dominion, Inspector Primrose is presiding in the capacity of police magistrate.

The first case this morning was that of A. Lee, proprietor of the Wayside roadhouse, charged with violating the ordinance which prohibits the sale of liquor on Sunday. Lee plead guilty and was fined \$20 and costs which was paid.

G. A. Heitch, another roadhouse operator, his location being at the Dome, was fined \$20 and costs for being in the same boat with Lee. He likewise remitted.

The cases of O. P. Johnson vs. H. H. Hart for \$108, and Chas. Smith vs. H. H. Hart for \$40 were both continued until this afternoon in order that Hart's attorney might have ample time in which to reach the court room. Both suits are for labor performed on Hart's claim.

The case of Jas. Wilson vs. Crabb for money, was continued, Crabb not being present.

C. Shepherd, over whom hovers the charge of "d. and d." was not in court and will be tried this afternoon.

New Rolling Stock.

In view of the greater stretch of road to operate in the near future, and the good patronage from those bound for Dawson and Cape Nome over the ice, and the outward travel from the Yukon basin and the prospective local traffic from promising properties being developed near by, the White Pass & Yukon railroad is making big strides in the increase of rolling stock.

Superintendent J. P. Rogers gave out that the company has under construction in the Skagway shops 40 flat cars of 40,000 pounds each, and material has been ordered for 80 more freight cars and two large baggage cars. Four new locomotives, two compounds and two simples, have been ordered and will be here in February.

The cars being built here are being furnished with all modern equipment, and in point of convenience and general stability will be second to none.

An average of a car a day is being turned out. The entire work of construction is done in the local shops, but later on the company will bring the material here from the sound prepared to put together just as received. Thirty-two men are employed in the shops.

A considerable work looking to the maintenance of the rolling stock and its housing is being done all along the line so far as it extends at present, and more work is to be added to the Skagway round house and an oilhouse will be erected at the shops, work to be begun on both improvements immediately.—Skagway Alaskan.

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Wildest Scene of Disorder Ever
Known in B. C. History.

It is Probable That Hon. Fred Peter
Will now Be Called Upon to Form
a new Government—Fatal Railway
Wreck—Three Women Cremated.

From Saturday's Daily.

Victoria, B. C., March 3, via Skagway, March 7.—Lieut. Gov. McInnes has called upon Joe Martin, late attorney general, to form a new government for the province. Upon the presentation of Martin's name before the house a unanimous vote of want of confidence was immediately passed. The lieutenant governor endeavored to speak, but was hooted and jeered until he was compelled to leave the house. The wildest scene ever witnessed in the history of British Columbia then ensued. Members stood in their seats and shouted and jeered until they were hoarse. It is probable the Hon. Fred Peters will be called upon now to form the cabinet.

On February 29th, the British Columbia government was defeated by a vote of 19 to 18. The question was precipitated during the consideration of the redistribution bill, which measure was deemed to be exceedingly fair; and the reaction against the administration was unexpected, as Joe Martin had promised to support any impartial bill of redistribution. It is evident that the opposition do not intend to be saddled with Joe Martin. If Mr. Peters fails to form a government, the administration will seek dissolution and go to the country with a new distribution measure.

Trains Collide.

Kansas City Mo., Feb. 27, via Skagway, March 7.—A St. Louis express train was run into last night by a passenger train bound for this city, both trains being badly wrecked. A parlor car in which a number of passengers were riding was cut in two in the middle. The car immediately caught fire and was almost entirely burned. The efforts of both train crews were immediately turned toward extricating the unfortunate passengers from the wreck but before they succeeded in doing so three women who were injured in the collision had been burned to death. Ten other passengers were seriously injured, several of whom will probably die.

A \$1,000,000 Loss by Fire.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 27, via Skagway, March 7.—A fire in the dry goods district in Newark destroyed property to the amount of \$1,000,000. Most of the loss is covered by insurance.

Troubles in Puerto Rico.

New York, Feb. 13.—Iglesias and Eduardo Conde, Puerto Rican labor leaders, who arrived here from that island a few days ago, have issued an appeal to this government on behalf of the workmen of Puerto Rico.

The delegates, who have established headquarters in this city, declare that the working class of their island have

been reduced by reason of the war, the hurricane and the action of this government since the storm, to a condition of extreme destitution.

They declare that unless action is taken soon riots will occur throughout the island, as the poor are desperate from their sufferings. To get justice, say these delegates, is almost impossible for the poor, and laws chiefly result in the disfranchisement of the laborers. Of the 1,000,000 inhabitants, 600,000 are absolutely paupers through no fault of their own.

The workmen demand a radical change in the government of the island, they demand that the following ordinances of Governor General Davis be annulled:

1. That the laborers on the public works shall not get more than 25 cents per day of eight hours' work.

2. That only property holders and taxpayers shall vote, and those who can read and write.

3. That the payment of \$1 shall be paid before a vote is cast.

The workmen also ask that the ordinance forbidding appeals from the decisions of the tribunals be abrogated. They also want a general market for imports, and better schools.

THE PETITION IS CONSIDERED

And Census of District Ordered
By Yukon Council

Action of Council Will Be Wired to
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by Mail.

A special meeting of the council was held at 8 p. m. last night. Consideration was given to the communication from the citizens' committee respecting the petitions submitted to the council and addressed to the governor general in council, praying for the election of two members to the Yukon council. The clerk read a communication from C. M. Woodworth respecting this matter. Ordered that the receipt of the communication be acknowledged.

Moved by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Girouard.

Resolved, That an immediate census of the territory be taken; that in the meantime the commissioner communicate by telegraph to the minister of the interior the purport of the petitions received from the citizens' committee and forward the original by mail, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the secretary of the said committee.

Mr. Clement presented an ordinance respecting the census and moved its first reading. Being a matter of urgency by unanimous consent a second reading of the bill was given.

Reading Room Concert.

The regular fortnight concert was given at the reading room of the Dawson library last Monday evening. A very interesting program was well rendered. The numbers were as follows:

Song, "Traced Her Footsteps in the Snow," Mr. Martin; recitation, "The Crooked Stick," Miss MacIntosh; song, "Beyond the Sea," Mr. Finney; recitation, "Adam and Eve," Commissioner Ogilvie; song, "The Children of the City," Mrs. Thompson; banjo selection by the Fire Brigade band; recitation, "Annual Supper of Fifty Pound Club," Mr. Cowan; song, "In Days of Old," Dr. MacDonald; autoharp solo, Mr. Giffith; recitation, "Revenge," Mr. Martin; banjo selection by the Fire

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From Wednesday's Daily.)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Where in the civilized world is there a town of the age and size of Dawson which has no public school. Dawson is well along in its third year as a town. It has been built upon lines so substantial and is backed by resources so extensive as to warrant the belief that it has a long and prosperous life before it.

We have some half dozen church organizations, a paid fire department, an extensive police service, government officials by the score, soldiers stationed here to see that we observe the laws, commercial companies with millions of capital invested, banks, newspapers and other business enterprises such as are found in every progressive community, but still we have yet to see the day when it can be announced that Dawson has a public school supported by public funds and open free of charge to the several hundred children who are now in the city.

This condition certainly should not prevail. It is a reflection upon our intelligence as a community that such a condition does prevail. In the early days of the town's history an excuse might have been found in the fact that the number of children was very limited. But for the past 18 months there has been no room to advance such an excuse. There has been a steady increase in the number of families permanently located in Dawson and at the present time there are several hundred children of school age in town.

Should Dawson become an incorporated municipality, the matter would doubtless be taken up immediately, but in the event that such should not prove to be the case the council should take action to provide some sort of educational facilities at the earliest possible moment.

John Collins, one of the old land marks in Seattle, has been nominated as the candidate of the Democratic party for the mayoralty of that city. Collins was mayor of the Sound metropolis at one time in the early days and has been afflicted with the buzzing of the political bee ever since. He was the heaviest owner in the Telegraph, a Democratic newspaper which he hoped to use as a lever to force himself into high office, but it served only to deplete his pocketbook and was finally absorbed by the Post-Intelligencer. The nomination of Collins is probably regarded by the Democratic leaders of Seattle as a harmless method of repaying one who has often stood the brunt of Democracy's financial requirements, for Collins has about as much show to win in Seattle as Bryan has to win before the country.

Politicians in the States are keenly alive to the importance of Uncle Sam's Alaskan appointments. The judgeships

are very much sought after, and the wires are being pulled strenuously in favor of various candidates. Evidently the experience of Judge Johnson must be pretty well known outside. That magistrate had only exercised the powers of his office for a short time when he felt called upon to resign the robes of office in order to give attention to the demands of his growing private interests. Undoubtedly the ermine can be made the stepping stone to the acquirement of valuable private interests in Alaska, and it is a question whether the dignity and honors of office or the possibilities of acquiring wealth in the gold fields present the most attractions to the ambitious politicians who seem so ready to sacrifice their personal comfort to the service of Uncle Sam in far away Alaska.

London gave itself over to the celebration of a holiday upon the receipt of the news of the relief of Ladysmith. The rejoicing is universal over the empire. With Cronje, the pride of the Boer army, in the hands of the British, a serious blow has been struck at the Boers. The war is not at an end by any means, but without doubt the entering wedge has been placed which ultimately will mean the defeat of the Boers. How long they will be able to prolong the struggle is an open question. Should all their forces be concentrated to oppose Roberts, and a pitched battle ensue, the end may be reached earlier than is anticipated.

The despatch with which the firemen succeeded in getting a stream from the chemical onto the fire last night was noticed and commented on by many of the bystanders. The big chemical is a splendid machine and is well and skillfully handled. The fire department seems to be increasing in its efficiency all along the line.

Next Sunday's Concert.

A sacred concert will be given at the Palace Grand theater next Sunday evening. The interior of the theater building has been remodelled and now presents a very cheerful appearance. The affair will be under the management of Messrs. Zimmerman and Radcliffe. The Symphonic Orchestra, William Gorbacht, leader, has been secured for the occasion; and the musicians are attending daily rehearsals. Next Sunday's concert will be an entertainment which will equal anything of the kind ever given in Dawson. A number of the boxes and reserved seats have been engaged already. Tickets are now on sale at Reid & Co's drug store.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

The case of Nevent vs Smith is on the docket today for trial in the gold commissioner's court. The action involves a dispute regarding the hillside claim on the left limit, opposite the upper half of No. 34 below upper discovery on Dominion creek.

Water Rights.

Yesterday afternoon, a grant for three years was issued by the mining recorder to Henry Dook and A. M. Lott for 120 inches to be diverted at No. 2 Lovett gulch, and to be used for mining purposes on the hillside claims on the right limit opposite Nos. 84a and 85 below discovery on Bonanza.

Preparing for Summer.

Mine owners who intend operating during the summer months are now busy getting supplies laid in and hauled out to their claims before the snow leaves the roads in an almost impassable condition, when freight charges to the creeks will probably be double what it is at present.

For Sale at a Bargain.

Complete steam thawing plant. Four horse power boiler in splendid condition. Apply Nugget office.

STROLLER'S COLUMN

"When it comes to peddling the boyne," said a clothing store man to the Stroller a few days ago, "there is a hash slinger down at a restaurant a few doors from here that caps anything in the Yukon. No matter who goes there to eat this fellow has a 'fill' ready to perpetrate. He is a good fellow and a good waiter, but his gift of speech is especially well developed. He can give you more information while you eat than was ever obtained at an intelligence office, and what he can't vouch for as having seen personally, he will tell you his father saw, and what his father missed his grandfather saw. This fellow has had more experience than Chauncey Depew, and he could spare enough self assurance to start a military school and still have enough left on which to do business. No, I won't tell you what hashery employs him, as I am not a 'knocker.' He is there to speak for himself, which he is very apt to do on the slight of opportunity. If that pair is too short in the legs, bring them back and I will have them let down an inch."

The horny handed old miner whose bare skin could be seen through the heel of his moccasin was sitting by the stove in the store of a man who does not advertise and who therefore has plenty of time to listen to the stories of loafers. To look at the old man one would not have suspected that he had ever felt sentiment or had ever even enjoyed the comforts of a home in a civilized land. As he thus sat by the stove and within reach of the cracker box, to which his hand wandered frequently, a tear glistened in his eye and a kindly but far away expression lit up his time-scarred face. He gathered up the tail of his parker and wiped his eye, after which he said:

"I don't know when I have thought of it before, probably not for years; but just now I was thinking of the first time I left home, 39 years ago this coming April. I had been 21 the fall before and decided that I was old enough to strike out and make my own way in the world. There were 11 of us children and I was the third from the top. I had been carefully reared in a Christian home in the state of Pennsylvania and to me the world had always been a closed book; in fact, I had an idea that the sky and ground came together a few miles from my home on all sides and that I had been reared right where the center pole ought to stand. But I was brave during all my arrangements and getting ready to leave, but when the day arrived on which I was to start I felt that the old home looked sweeter and dearer to me than it had ever done before. However, I pulled myself together and kissed my mother and sisters good bye, shook hands with my father and brothers for the first time in my life and started off for the old country deputed with my carpathag in my hand whistling all the time to keep the tears back; but that night white lumbering along through eastern Ohio in a Baltimore & Ohio railroad coach I leaned my head down on the window sill and cried like a baby, and I am not ashamed to own it. I came west as far as Iowa, then a new country. For the first year I fully intended to go back, but at the end of that time the homesickness had worn off and I hired to drive an ox team across the plains to California. After spending two years in the gold diggings of California I came up to the Puget sound country and stayed there until I came to the Yukon with Jack McQuesten over 12 years ago, and I have been in this interior country ever since."

"But did you never return to visit the old home" asked the Stroller, who had grown interested in the old man's narrative.

"No, I never did. You see, it was this way: After being on the Sound two years I married a half breed, and I was always ashamed to take her and the children back to my people. We had twins every clatter and after being married 11 years I was the father of 13 children. Ten days before I started for this country I got a letter from a brother in which he said that he and two of my sisters, both old maids, would arrive in two weeks to visit me and my family. I had never told them but what I had married a white woman, so you see I was in a box. The result was that I could not stand to have them come out and find me the father of such a tribe of Indians, so I skinned out for the north, and as you can see for yourself, I am here yet. I am not an ultra-modest man, but still have a spark of family pride left."

"What made me give up going to Nome over the ice? Well, I'll tell you," said the no account man as he turned around and rested both elbows on the bar, "it is this way: Last fall me and my wife reckoned that I would go down this winter and that she would follow on the first boat, and she would like to have that program, especially the first part of it, carried out yet, but I am too foxy for her. You see, I have a suspicion that my wife is getting tired of me and if I was to go on to Nome she wouldn't come, and the result would be that I would have to get in and make my own living. No, sir-ree, you don't catch me, throwing up a good thing when it might be years before I'd get fixed again. If she is still in the notion of going to Nome in the spring, we'll go; but you won't see me take any chances by going and leaving her here, and I doubt if she will care to leave here, anyhow, because her laundry business is well established and we consider that we have a good thing. She gave me a dollar this morning - what will you have?"

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IN MAJOR PERRY'S COURT.

Ax-Wielder Hoffman Gives Bond for Good Behavior.

Claim for Over Work—Warrant Issued for Dog Thief—Teadore Kruesner Taking Things as He Finds Them.

[From Tuesday's Daily.]

Wm. Crabb, of whom mention was made in the police court report of yesterday as having in his possession a set of doubletrees, the property of James E. Wilson, was tried yesterday evening with the result that he was ordered by the court to pay the price of the article, \$10.

H. C. Hoffman, charged yesterday morning with threatening the life of his partner, Andrew Pucher, and with attempting to carry into execution his threat by seizing an ax (spelled 3700 years ago ax) and chasing the aforesaid Andrew around over claim 4 below on Sulphur, was again in court yesterday evening at which time it was ordered that he give bond in the sum of \$1000 to keep the peace towards his partner for the period of one year. The required bond was provided and the partners returned to their claim, where they will probably continue to show their lack of harmony of feelings by dark looks and muttered innuendos.

The case of A. Hillyer vs. Geo. P. Sprout of the roadhouse at claim 36 above on Sulphur for overtime labor performed amounting to \$46.75 was continued until the afternoon of the 13th. In the preliminary bout this morning Hillyer claimed that he had been required to perform from one to six hours work, over and above 10 hours, the daily number required, on various, divers and sundry occasions, and that in all he had performed extra labor in the amount named. Sprout asserted it to be his belief that Hillyer was out of his head, else the suit would not have been brought. Plaintiff had, he said, been employed to work at \$5 per day and board and that if called upon to work any number of hours it was his duty to say nothing and saw wood, or do anything else he was asked to do. Sprout said he is prepared to prove he is right, but that his evidence is all out at 36 above on Sulphur, hence the adjournment of the case.

A warrant was issued this morning for the arrest of one Michael Swanson who is charged with having stolen a dog belonging to the A. E. Co. from claim 41 below on Hunker.

When Theodore Kruesner was convicted and sent to jail for theft, he having sold nearly everything portable in Dawson to Junk Dealer King, his petty thieving, so far as the outside world is concerned, stopped. But, though fettered with irons, as it were, and locked within the confines of the royal bastille, the ruling spirit still predominates the actions of the aggressive Theodore. Yesterday he was marched into the orderly room for having stolen a package of cigarettes from one of the guards. The sentence there imposed has not yet been made public. It is said that this young knight of the "jimmy" even attempts to rob his fellow prisoners of their sleep, and that he frequently rises at the dead hours of night and stealthily searches the pockets of his own clothes. Theodore is a philosopher in that he takes things as he finds them.

Quartz Creek Notes.

The Quartz creek benches and hillsides are coming rapidly forward and will cut quite a figure in the future output of gold. Thomas Adair has just placed a 120 horse power boiler on 23 and 24 below A. Mack's discovery and will work a large gang of men from now until the pay is worked out.

Joseph Atkinson has made a satisfactory settlement of the claims against hillside 1 below A. Mack's and is on

the ground preparing for big summer work.

Arthur Dunnach, on hillside adjoining A. Mack's discovery is getting out some nice dumps, and reports fair pay as do the Woodworth boys on the upper part of the same claim. They have a thawer at work and have just completed a tramway from their dump to the creek, about a quarter of a mile in length.

Messrs. Woodsum & Co., on 12 below, have their thawer operating and are tunneling into some very fair pay. They also have a long tramway completed to the creek.

A. H. Newcomb and party on 19 below A. Mack's have out large dumps and have a ditch from a near pup that will furnish them a good sluice head.

Anderson Bros. on 20 below are the pioneers of the bench ground and their dumps show that little time was wasted in locating the pay streak.

Col. S. Wright is prospecting hillside 28 below, and is red hot after the paystreak lined up from 27 below, where several laymen are taking out pay.

Big Ocean Steamer.

The Empire Transportation Company have recalled the steamer Ohio from the Philippines and will put her on the run between Seattle and Nome this spring. The Ohio is a first class ocean steamer with accommodations for 300 first 600 second class passengers. She is of 3000 tons burden and will be the largest and most commodious vessel on that run.

Pick the Winner.

A great deal of speculation is rife among the sporting fraternity as to the "gee" who will win the decision in the Smith-Malloy go on next Wednesday night. Both men are in fine condition and both feel they are sure to win.

Malloy's lack of weight, while a handicap, is offset by his remarkable agility and cleverness. Smith, on the other hand, is both clever and experienced, with weight in his favor, and takes punishment as though he likes it. The match will be pulled off at Ford's gymnasium and at this early date the seats have been nearly all secured.

Party at Lombard City.

Last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Robinson invited a few friends to spend the evening at their home and the affair developed into an impromptu party. Messrs. Fitzgerald, Duggan Brothers and Berge furnished music and the evening was spent in dancing. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Van Meter, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hering, Mrs. George Morrell, of Sulphur, Misses Zervis, Julian, Hollingsworth, Holmes and Garrett, Messrs. Foster and Cobb, of Sulphur, Messrs. Lang, McNeil, Halstead, Dr. Smart, Dr. Bell, Cameron, W. Smith Baker, Edgar, Mulyain, Dan McNeil, Goss, Lawler and Dove.

Mrs. Geo. Morrel, of 45 above, Sulphur, has been spending the past week with Mrs. Ed Hering on Dominion.

Pilgrims From Skagway.

Messrs. Chas. E. Hansen, C. W. Everest, He man Hoagland and Thomas Neely are a quartette of Skagwayans who arrived over the ice yesterday evening. They brought two teams of horses and a dog team.

Messrs. Hansen and Neely are interested at Jack Wade, where they own valuable mining property and for which place they will leave in a few days. Mr. Hansen was here and at Jack Wade during the early part of the winter, leaving for the outside early in December.

Messrs. Everest and Hoagland brought with them a stock of assorted goods, principal of which is 1500 hundred pounds of dynamite, an article on which Dawson has been short for some time. Mr. Everest also brought with him his driving horse, a beautiful dapple grey which at Skagway bore the reputation of being the finest driver ever shipped to Alaska. Mr. Everest is one of Skagway's pioneer merchants and has always been one of that town's most public spirited and progressive citizens.

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DEAR EXPERIENCE.

The lesson learned by many of our people last fall by delaying shipment of goods from Bennett until the season was so far advanced that winter overtook them before reaching Dawson is one by which all should profit, and he who is caught again in a similar predicament will have only himself to blame. The experience in the majority of cases was dearly bought, as at the first of last October the freight rate from Bennett to Dawson was 7½ cents per pound. But when that freight was stopped by the elements 75 miles up the river, another 7½ cents per pound was required before the stock saw Dawson, making the cost of transportation just double the original contract and calculation. As one result of this miscalculation every consumer in Dawson has for the past three months paid from 20 to 35 per cent more for what he has consumed than he would have otherwise done, as it was not to be expected that the shipper of goods would stand the double freight charges without, in a measure, striving to recoup his loss.

With the completion of the White Pass & Yukon railroad to Whitehorse shipping will be greatly facilitated the coming season, and the person who permits his goods and chattels to be frozen in up the river next fall will be subject to censure rather than to pity.

OUR OPPORTUNITY.

The expressed determination upon the part of the leaders of the present Liberal government to go before the country for a general election at the close of the present session of parliament should be made the opportunity for securing a hearing from Canada upon the matters which vitally effect the interests of every person who desires to remain in the Yukon territory.

Insofar as influencing the general results of an election is concerned, we could not hope to do that by strength of votes even though the entire population was granted the rights of suffrage. All we can expect to accomplish is to gain recognition of the points which we wish covered through proper and forceful presentation of the same. If we can succeed in showing, as we believe can be done, that a more liberal policy toward this country on the part of the home government would be a business policy and result to the increase of the government's revenues, we can hope that recognition of our claims will be taken.

Governments, like individuals, are essentially selfish and when the Canadian government is made to realize that its own interests are being sacrificed as a result of its present policy, we may expect a radical change in its attitude.

REPRESENTATION.

The council will this evening get down to the consideration of the question of local representation in its membership. The people of the territory have evidenced their desire for such representation with sufficient emphasis as to leave the council in no doubt as to what their wishes are. We believe that the best interests of the people at large will be subserved by carrying into effect the provisions of the laws authorizing representation on the council. Men who are directly interest-

ed in the development of this country and who are responsible to the people of the community for their positions will have every object in doing their utmost to further the welfare of the territory. We have no desire in saying this to impugn the motives of the gentlemen who at present constitute the Yukon council, but any sort of government which is not responsible directly to the people it is called upon to govern, is repugnant to the spirit of our fundamental institutions.

We note that the strife between claim operators and laborers goes merrily on, with the result that a large amount of the time of the police court is devoted to the adjustment of differences incident thereto. In the majority of cases there are two predominant desires apparent, one on each side. The operator does not desire to pay the laborer until the cleanup, and in most cases he has no money at hand with which to make immediate settlement; and on the other side the laborer is intensified with a desire to get his money and leave for Nome. As for the remainder of the case, it is purely a matter of swearing before the court. That functionary has no knowledge other than that brought before him by the evidence submitted, therefore, there is nothing left to do but weigh the merits of the separate stories and render a verdict accordingly.

We have but a faint idea of the many difficulties with which the soldiers of the queen have had to contend in the present war with the Boers. With practically no knowledge of the topography of the country, they have forced their way into the very heart of Boerland when their every step was harassed by the ambushed enemy who knows his country as the planter knows his estate. This lack of knowledge on the one side and its possession on the other has cost the crown many a loyal son and soldier, and will, we fear, cost many more before the peace reveille is blown. The Boer will be a hard customer to land after he is captured. There can be no doubt, however, but that recent British victories are the beginning of the end.

According to the late arrivals from the outside, the trail between Bennett and this city is now full of passengers journeying this way, nearly all of whom are bringing with them some sort of commodity which is expected to be sold here at a good figure. These various small cargoes comprise nearly everything in the line of eatables except that which would be injured by freezing. The travelers are not, as a rule, making rapid headway for the reason that they are heavily laden; but from now on so long as the ice is safe for travel there will be almost daily arrivals in Dawson of supplies, many of which are already here in large quantities and for which the enterprising ice traveler will find the market very disappointing.

From a dispatch published elsewhere in this paper it is apparent that the new United States torpedo boat recently completed and launched at Portland was constructed somewhat on the order of a bird cage, so far as strength is concerned, else she would not have been battered out of shape while lying at an Astoria dock. It looks as though Andrew Carnegie has been working off a lot of his condemned armor plate on our old uncle.

LADYSMITH RELIEVED

Victorious Entry Made by Dundonald Night of the 28th.

WITH NATAL CARBINEERS AND A COMPOSITE REGIMENT.

The Boers Have Retired From the Vicinity of Ladysmith, Leaving Country Clear.

Buller Now Moving on Towards Nelthorpe Unmolested—Greatest Victory in History of Transvaal War—Great Enthusiasm in London, the Victory Being the Sole Topic of Conversation.

[From Monday's Daily.]
London, March 4, via Skagway, March 5, 5 p. m.—Gen. Buller today wired that Gen. Dundonald entered Ladysmith on the night of Feb. 28th with the Natal carbineers, and the composite regiment.

The entire country between Buller's recent position on the Tugela river and the town of Ladysmith is entirely clear of the enemy.

The long beleaguered city turned out en masse to welcome the victorious troops, and the scenes recalled the day when a similar affair took place at the besieged town of Lucknow.

The Boers have withdrawn entirely from the vicinity of Ladysmith and are concentrating all their forces to oppose the advance of Roberts. Buller is now marching on Nelthorpe.

The news has created the wildest enthusiasm in London and forms the sole topic of conversation in all the clubs and hotels.

Dismissed From Office.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Dominion government has dismissed Dan Smith, inspector of public works in Manitoba, and R. S. Parks, formerly inspector of homesteads, and now of the Dominion land office, Manitoba. This has been done in view of the action of Hugh John Macdonald's government in dismissing provincial officials. Others will follow. There is said to be a considerable list ready, which will probably wait future action of Macdonald's administration.

A Brave Boer.

London, Feb. 12.—A dispatch from Buller's camp, dated yesterday, noon, describes a daring feat on the part of the Boer general Viljoen. A Maxim Vickers gun, abandoned by the Boers in a donga, was about to fall into British hands, when the fearless Viljoen himself brought back a team of horses and escaped with the gun, threading his way between the red flashes and black clouds of lyddite shells which the British artillery concentrated on him.

Boers Incite Natives.

London, Feb. 3.—The Times has the following special today:
Sterkstroom, Feb. 1.—Trustworthy information has reached us that the Boers are distributing pamphlets in the vernacular in Basutoland to the natives, inciting them to rise against the British and promising the restoration of their conquered territory as an inducement.

Jack Wade Litigation.

During the present winter many unfavorable reports have been received here from Jack Wade creek. Readers of the Nugget will remember of the

litigation which involved the titles to claims Nos. 1, 3a, fraction on 3a, 4, fraction on 4, 5, and the fraction on 5, all above lower discovery. An injunction was issued at Sitka by Judge Johnson restraining any development work on these properties. In December of last year, while the claim owners and laymen were busily engaged in winter operations, the writs of injunction were served, and all work on the claims in dispute was immediately discontinued. The miners against whom the restraining orders had been issued, delegated Messrs. Steelsmith and Kemp to go to Sitka for the purpose of contesting the legal proceedings. On the 14th of last month, a telegram was received at Dawson, and immediately dispatched by private carrier to Jack Wade creek, which contained the information that the injunctions had been dissolved. Mining operations have been resumed on the properties, recently in litigation, and the output from these claims will augment considerably this season's product of Jack Wade.

Pay dirt has been found recently on lower discovery and on Nos. 1, 6 and 11 above lower discovery. Messrs. Falcon Joslyn and J. H. McCourt have struck it rich on No. 1 above upper discovery. No. 7 above lower discovery, owned by Messrs. Scherer, Hefley and Austin, is being worked with machinery. The owners of this claim have crossed the pay streak, the width of which is 80 feet. The largest and probably the richest dump on the creek will be washed by the owners of No. 7.

At present there are about 150 men on Jack Wade, most of whom are laymen and owners. About 15 men are employed as miners on No. 7 above lower discovery; and the ruling wages on the creek are \$1 per hour. The Cape Nome district has attracted a few who were wintering on Wade.

Messrs. A. S. Shannon and J. H. McCourt arrived in Dawson Sunday. Both gentlemen are heavily interested in Jack Wade properties. In speaking of the district, Mr. McCourt said:

"Affairs on Jack Wade are looking better now than at any time since the creek was discovered. The injunctions which restrained work on some of the richer properties have been dissolved, and work on these claims have now been resumed. The creek is being developed slowly; but the results are satisfactory to claim owners. I should say that there are 33 properties which have prospected well; and some of these have developed into paying propositions. Just before I left, Dudley McKinney secured a \$43.50 pan from his fraction on No. 4 above lower, and No. 6 above lower is proving to be as rich as No. 7.

"We are somewhat inconvenienced by the recent enforcement of the United States tariff regulations. All importations from Canadian territory are assessed, and it makes no difference whether or not such importations are of American or Canadian manufacture. The trail from Wade to Eagle is impassable now, and our depot for supplies is Fortymile post."
Messrs. McCourt and Shannon are on

their way to the outside. They expect to return to Jack Wade early next summer.

Regarding Canada.

One who knows Canada well, says the Toronto Globe, and who makes periodical visits to this country, although he has lived for some years in Great Britain, in the course of a private letter says:

"I am looking at Canada from the outside with my intelligence, but I am feeling her with my heart. I believe that in another fifteen years she will have twelve millions of people within her borders. In population she now outranks Greece, Turkey in Europe, Holland, Belgium, Norway and Sweden, Switzerland, indeed all the third rate powers of Europe. Her strength is that of Greece and Belgium combined. Her resources are those of all the third rate powers of Europe put together—partially developed resources, but still limitless. One has ceased to think of her as a colony—I never did allow myself to think of her as a colony; one does not recognize her as a dependency. She is a nation in what is practically a confederation of nations.

"The French Canadian is before everything else a son of the soil of Canada. He is by tradition, inheritance and identification with that settlement of the country, of it, as truly, maybe more truly, than the United Empire loyalist. I do not claim for him that he is eager to share in ambitious imperial designs, nor that England is to him, save legally and technically, the mother land. But I do claim that to him the English flag is the symbol of order and justice, and law, and progressive civilization. I claim for him that with all his faults, or, rather, weakness, the result of the isolation of language, religion and temperament, he is as true a citizen of Canada as any other man.

"The English speaking Canadian is not always ready to try and understand what might be called the mental idiosyncrasy of his French fellow-citizen. For a hundred years or more we have been compelling the French Canadian to see national matter through English eyes. He has to think, as it were, in all languages and through all temperaments, while English speaking people demand his co operation and his sympathy for our own national ideas, without any understanding or any concession that is not granted at the point of the political bayonet.

"I believe that as Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a Frenchman, is able to lead the English speaking people of Canada, so an English Canadian might lead, with no great difficulty, I believe, the people of French Canada, had he sympathy, temperament, honesty and strong will. I have met few men more broad minded than Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, it seems to me, has increased in strength and grown larger in will and purpose. He strikes me as a statesman, and that says much in the unstatesmanlike condition of the political world generally."

Gold Commissioner's Curt-o

On February 12th, 1900, Commissioner Senkler decided the case of Augustus B. Thompson vs. Charles L. Johnson and A. Applechrist, in favor of the plaintiff. The action involves the title to the hillside claim, right limit, opposite No. 7 below A. Mack's discovery, on Quartz creek.

Messrs. Belcourt and McDougal, on behalf of the defendants, have appealed to the minister of the interior at Ottawa from the judgment rendered by the gold commissioner.

No cases are being tried by Commissioner Senkler today.

Decline in Wood.

With the advent of the spring season, notwithstanding the weather continues fully as cold as in mid-winter, there is a material decline in the price of fuel. Where wood sold at \$22 per cord in December, the same article or better can be purchased now at \$16 and a fair article at from \$13 to \$15. This decline is due to the fact that those who have large supplies of wood on hand are desirous of disposing of it while the roads are still in good condition for hauling. It is probable that wood is fully as cheap now as it will be at any time during the coming summer.

A Fire Alarm

At 4 o'clock last Saturday afternoon, the department was called to a fire, which occurred in the store immediately south of the postoffice building, which did no particular damage, as it was extinguished with a few buckets of water.

PAUL BORDMAN'S COW

Will Dance the Next Set In Territorial Court.

NOT IN JURISDICTION OF POLICE COURT.

George Cantwell Wants Pay for Orpheum's Trouble-Killer.

Whiskey in a Witness Impedes Justice—Ate Up His Bill—Partners of Sulphur Wield an Ax and Talk of Hearts, Livers and Such Things.

Major Perry, having returned from a five days' trip to Dominion, occupied the judicial chair in police court this morning.

The first case on trial was that of F. W. Stacy vs. Johnson for \$12.50 labor performed on the latter's claim. After two days and a half's work Stacy was discharged, but during the following six days he boarded with his former employer who in court this morning presented a counter claim for board amounting, at \$2.25 per day, to \$13.50. As Stacy did not deny the correctness of the board bill, the case was dismissed at his costs and he emerged from the court-room wondering who he was and where he got off.

Wm. Crabb charged by Jas. E. Wilson with stealing one set of doubletrees to the value of \$10, was in court and ready for trial, but Wilson asked a postponement of the case on the ground that his principal witness was drunk and not in condition to appear in court. He thought he would be sufficiently sober by 4 o'clock this afternoon, to which hour the case was continued. Crabb who is out on bond, did not appear, feeling that he will have any trouble establishing his innocence.

For some time past Paul Bordman's dancing cow at the Orpheum has been a source of unmingled delight and unalloyed pleasure to the boys. Unlike the cows that, after serving humanity as milk producers for from 9 to 17 years, are shipped to Dawson and sold, all except the horns, hoofs and hides, as "choice cuts" at six bits per pound, Bordman's cow did not come high. Only \$50 was the price of this mirth producer, and when it is considered that she has the power to tell dull care to "fly away mit yourself," and to cause many a man to forget for fully five minutes at a stretch that he has only three pounds of flour and only enough bacon skin to grease his griddle four times, it must be said that she was dirt cheap at the price, and if by any process of transmogrification (a word used only by the writer and on state occasions) she could be converted into the real thing, she would be worth several times \$50 as a soup generator, and the first step of the dancing cow towards soup was this morning when she figured in police court as a hone-soup bone, perhaps—of contention. Geo. G. Cantwell, the manufacturer of this famous animal has not been recompensed for his handiwork and it was for that reason that he as plaintiff and Paul Bordman were in court this morning. But the case lasted only so long as it took Cantwell to state his story, when Major Perry informed him that his court has no jurisdiction in cases for money other than wage cases; and that suit had been instituted in the wrong court. The case was accordingly dismissed without costs, and the territorial chorean cow will dance the next set in the territorial court.

Saturday Night's Dance.

Prot. Duffy gave his regular dance on Saturday night. There was a large crowd present. The program consisted of 18 numbers and the guests enjoyed a most pleasant time.

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EXTRA SESSION OF Y. C.

When Considerable Business is Transacted.

VIOLATOR OF LAW REFUSED LICENSE.

Forks Hotel Keepers Ask License Reduction from \$2000 to \$1000.

Will Convene Tonight to Consider Petition of Citizens' Committee—Road Matter Is Referred—Wiley's Telephone Franchise Progressing.

[From Monday's Daily.]

A special meeting of the Yukon council was held on Saturday, March 3d, the commissioner presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ogilvie, Senkler, Girouard, Clement, Dugas, Perry.

A petition was received through the acting license inspector, from H. H. Pitts, and other residents of Fort Selkirk, praying for the renewal of a liquor license to Mr. Wade Blaker. The communication accompanying the petition stated that Mr. Blaker had been refused a license on account of having been convicted on three occasions for breaches of the liquor ordinance during the past year. The council approved of the license inspector's action in refusing the license.

A petition was received from the hotel keepers of Grand Forks praying for the reduction of the license fee of \$2000 to \$1000. The clerk was instructed to refer the petition to the license inspector, asking what licenses are in force at Grand Forks, when they expire, and further information respecting roadhouses and hotels and his recommendation in regard to the petition.

A communication was received from A. W. Robinson tendering for the construction of the proposed winter road to connect Upper Dominion with the government highway, near the Dome, and a communication was received from H. B. Mitchell, tendering for the work of building the above road, and also one on Last Chance creek. Referred to the committee on Public works for action.

A communication was received from S. Running asking for compensation for a cabin which was removed by the sheriff last summer from the Klondike. No action.

A communication was received from the comptroller, accompanied by an account of \$25 from H. H. Hurdman for medical attendance on R. B. Switzer. No action.

A communication was received from Messrs. Pattrio & Ridley on behalf of Maria Ferguson tendering for the numbering of the buildings and residences in Dawson pursuant to the ordinance granted in her favor respecting a business directory for Dawson. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the secretary of the citizens' committee of the Yukon territory, accompanied by two petitions addressed to his excellency the governor general in council, praying for the enforcement of that portion of the act amending the Yukon territory's act which provides for the election of two members to the Yukon council and stating that the committee desires that the petition which the council endorsed should be telegraphed to Ottawa.

Moved that consideration be given to the question at the next meeting of council.

A communication was received from the legal adviser giving it as his opinion that the council has power to enact legislation respecting the work of the placer mines, looking to the insuring of protection to the workmen.

A communication was received from the legal adviser in respect to taxation ordinance. Referred to the finance committee.

Moved by Major Perry, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to draft an ordinance upon the lines provided in the municipal ordinance, part 3, of the Northwest territories, entitled "The assessment and collection of taxes."

A communication was received from the legal adviser in reply to a reference to him by council of the inapplicability of the billiard ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Justice Dugas, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to prepare an ordinance respecting the licenses for billiard tables.

A communication was received from Samuel Word in respect to his applica-

tion for a water franchise. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A communication was received from J. Wiley in respect to his application for a telephone charter. Referred to the private bills committee.

The council then adjourned until Monday, the 5th inst., at 8 p. m., at which time the petition of the citizens committee will be considered.

Last Night's Concert.

The concert last evening at the Orpheum theater was a grand success. The cosy theater was crowded from pit to dome with an audience of critical but enthusiastic lovers of music. The soloists were in splendid voice and acquitted themselves to the satisfaction of all present.

The orchestra was up to the usual high standard which Dawson audiences have learned to expect and was awarded with repeated encores.

The climax was reached with the descriptive piece of "American Battle Scenes," over the rendition of which the utmost enthusiasm was manifested.

The program was as follows:

First Part—Torchlight dance, Meyerbeer; the Mill on the Cliff, Reisinger; scene, duet from Trovatore, (4th act), Verdi, Miss Lorne as Azucena, Mr. Zimmerman as Manrico; waltz, Gungel; baby song, Campana, Miss Blossom.

Second Part—Morning, Noon and Evening at Vienna, F. V. Suppe; The Steeple of the Hill, R. Franz, Mrs. Leroy Tozjer; Hungarian Dances, Brahms; Il Bacio (Kiss Waltz), Arditti, Miss Lorne; The Mill, Eilenberg; prison scene and miserere, 3d act Trovatore, Verdi, Miss Lorne as Leonora, Mr. Zimmerman as Manrico; descriptive piece, American Battle Scenes, Tobani.

The following is the description of the American battle scenes:

It is a grand realistic tone picture portraying most graphically some of the exciting scenes and incidents of actual war, thus giving a perfect music panorama, which will stir up patriotism in every true American breast.

Synopsis: Opening—Peace reigns our country—Industries—Busy factories—Husbandry—In the cotton fields—Rumors of war soon spread dark clouds all over the country—War declared—The President calls for volunteers—To arms—The first gun is fired—The martial strains of drum and fife are heard in every village—Troops off to the front—Soldiers' farewell—Embarkation, all aboard on the train—The bivouac—Surrender—The retreat—Men retire to quarters talking about the loved ones at home—The tattoo—Extinguish lights—Taps—Above the tread of the sentinels is heard an occasional challenge—Rifle shots exchanged by the outposts—Day breaks—"Reveille"—General alarm to arms—Troops hurrying in positions; an occasional gun is heard—Commence firing—The battle—Grand cavalry charge—Patriotic airs are heard spurring the armies on—Bugle call for bayonet charge—Shouts arise above the din of musketry and roar of cannons—Grand climax—Pursuit—Cease firing—Victory—Prayer—Peace proclaimed—General rejoicing—"The Star Spangled Banner."

Forest on Trial.

The case of the Queen vs. Thomas Forrest is now on trial before Justice Dugas and a jury in the territorial court. The prisoner is accused of cheating with marked cards. The crime is alleged to have been committed on November 10th, 1899, at the Aurora gambling room, at which place the defendant was dealing black jack. This morning was occupied in hearing the testimony of Constables Booth and Cunningham of the N. W. M. P. force, who are the principal witnesses for the Crown. Constable Cunningham is the police officer who played at the prisoner's game and secured the cards, which are said to be marked. Under the cross-examination of Attorney McCaul neither of the witnesses appeared to advantage.

The defense of the prisoner is that the cards were not marked to his knowledge; and that Booth and Cunningham instigated the present criminal action after endeavoring to blackmail the accused and several of his friends.

The trial will not be concluded till sometime tomorrow.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

TRAVEL IS NOW BY TAGISH

Toll Charges on the Cut-off too Heavy for Freighters.

Many Horses Lost on Trail—Hundreds of People and Much Stock Coming Dawsonwards.

O. P. Helm arrived last evening from McClintock, on the Yukon. He reports a great procession of travelers going out of Bennett daily, and pushing down the lakes by the way of Tagish. They are taking in supplies and live stock that were blockaded in Skagway during the late storm. He said last night at the Golden-North:

"Nearly all the freight that has left Bennett for Dawson the last several days is going by the way of Tagish and is avoiding the cutoff from Cariboo.

This is because the charges for taking freight over the cutoff are three and a half cents a pound, and many of the men who were delayed here so long sustained such heavy losses they have need of the money left for other purposes, and cannot afford to pay toll.

The trail has been broken by the way of Tagish and travelers and freighters are moving right along, provided they do not attempt to go in wide sleds. The trail is broken only for narrow sleds. Wide sleds are useless there.

"Every morning as far as the eye can reach, one can see teams starting down the lakes from Bennett. Miller has gotten away from Bennett with his cattle. He has divided them into two herds and drives one several miles ahead of the other.

"I started from Skagway in January with steam fittings for Dawson, hoping to make a good profit by reaching the market early. But I met with the misfortune of losing two horses in Marsh lake on January 21, while attempting to break trail, and in losing a third in Fiftymile river shortly after. The loss of the animals so crippled me I had to give up any attempt to deliver the goods myself. I sent them forward by other parties, but the trouble I had experienced had thrown me so far behind in the race, and besides sustaining the loss of \$400 to \$500 on the horses, I lost the prospect of making a neat profit by a successful disposal of my goods in Dawson just when they were in good demand. Now others have got in with a similar line. I shall make a trip to Seattle and then go to Dawson.

"Many men are on the trail bound for Nome, and some of them are pulling their own sleds and camping out and doing their own cooking. Those who are pulling sleds are going as far as Dawson, and there to await the opening of the river, so they may complete the trip to Nome by boat."—Daily Alaskan.

Their Problem of Life.

There are several distinct classes of people in Dawson, all of whom, in their own way, manage to keep the gaunt wolf from the door. There is first those who are in business and who live pretty much the same one day as another. To them the events of life came regularly and plod along pretty much in the same channel week after week and month after month. Many of them have a good roll of "chechako" in their inside vest pockets and if the wheels of trade and commerce should suddenly cease to revolve, this class would get on very nicely until that proverbial "something" turned up.

The mine owners and operators compose another class who pretty well understand just where they stand, for the shrewd business man is not going to work a force of men several months at building up a big dump unless he knows just about how much that dump will yield to the square yard at cleanup time, therefore he gauges his outlay and all business factors accordingly. Many members of this class are today very uncomfortably short of ready cash, but

they know they have the certain satisfaction of knowing that when they have finished with the cleanup they will have a place in the world as men far above the pauper list, if not with moneyed magnates.

Another class is composed of honey-handed sons of toil who feel that for them it is foreordained that they must work ten hours each day and every working day of the year. This class is the bone and sinew of the country, and without its representatives both classes previously mentioned would be completely handicapped. They are the backbone of the mining industry and at the same time contribute liberally towards the support of the government when in the city by violating the health ordinance for which they are fined.

Another distinct class is composed of men who are really sports, men who try to be sports and others who are simply dreaming that they will be sports some day. The first class, the real sports, usually live on the best that is to be had, and even if by the frowns of the fickle goddess, they are "dead flat" for a period they go on living just the same for the reason that during better days they made themselves good fellows and thereby established a credit which tides them over periods when the dark cloud of adversity hovers temporarily over them. The second class of sports, the white check fellows, usually keep the price of a meal in the "other" pocket, for they know that their credit at the hasheries is limited and will not stand pressing; two meals on a slip is usually the limit. The class that confidently expect to become famed as knights of the green in the near future are the fellows who stand around and make knowing remarks when a plunger is playing, and who rarely ever play themselves, unless staked by someone else who has either made a winning or who has been given a "fill" by the knowing tinhorn and staked him, hoping thereby to make several hundred per cent on his investment, but who loses it in nine cases in every ten.

Another peculiar stamp of humanity which is as indigenous to Dawson as to any city in the known world is that class which absolutely refuses to work and who would scorn to sit at a gambling table even if staked to play. But they are not adverse to spending each day around the stove of a saloon or gambling room, but that is for their comforts derived from the stove rather than from any interest they have in what is going on around them. Those fellows nearly all have cabins out on the edge of town or up the Klondike, or in West Dawson, or any place they find one for which they have no rent to pay. Each one of them carries a stump of a lead pencil with which he occasionally figures out how many meals his present stock of provisions will make. After figuring until the problem has been satisfactorily, or otherwise, solved, the fellow usually walks off to a corner alone where he proceeds to count over his silver; for this class usually have a few dollars remaining of what they brought with them when they came in last fall, and but very few of them but are able to state the exact number of meals they can count on in the future. When asked what they intend doing they invariably remark that they are waiting for something to turn up, and when asked why they do not go out and turn up something they answer: "Horses and dogs were made to work." As a field for the study of human nature, Dawson presents a broad and interesting one.

From Scow Island.

An occasional load of freight still reaches the city from Scow Island, where it has been since the latter part of October, when Boreas overtook a large fleet of scows en route down the river to this place, which early closing of the river and shutting out of scows has added many thousands of dollars to the aggregate cost of living in Dawson within the past three months. The freight stranded up the river which has not already been freighted down will mostly remain where it is until it can be floated down when navigation opens.

IS MAD WITH JOY.

England's Capital Goes Into a Wild Frenzy Over Victories.

EVERYBODY REJOICES AND CELEBRATES GLORIOUS NEWS.

Details of the Impressive Scenes Attending the Surrender of General Cronje.

Roberts Compliments the Conquered Boer—Boers Repulsed From Mafeking With Heavy Losses—British Generals Congratulate and Applaud Canadian Soldiers—Five Thousand Small Arms Were Captured—British Losses now Aggregate 13,000 Men.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

London, March 2, via Skagway, March 6.—A correspondent wiring from Gen. Roberts camp gives the details of the surrender of Gen. Cronje. "Lord Roberts," says the dispatch, "walked to and fro in front of his cart waiting the arrival of the Boer commander when he advanced and saluted his late antagonist gravely. Gen. Roberts motioned Gen. Cronje to a chair and the two conversed through an interpreter."

Lord Roberts was surrounded by his staff when Gen. Cronje came up and Gen. Prebyman, who was escorting the defeated Boer commander saluted and said, "Commandant Cronje, sir." It was an impressive sight as the two generals each advanced a step saluted and shook the other warmly by the hand. Gen. Roberts said, "You have made a gallant defence, sir."

After some further conversation the meeting came to an end and Gen. Cronje was invited to breakfast with the British officers. The queen has personally cabled to Gen. Roberts her warmest congratulations on the receipt of this splendid news.

Repulse of Mafeking.

London, March 2, via Skagway, March 6.—A dispatch from Pieter's station dated the 25th, states that the Boers were repulsed from Mafeking on that date with great loss. The British also lost heavily. The Inniskillings joined the column with 24 officers. At the end of five days fighting they have but five officers left.

Applaud Canadians.

London, March 2, via Skagway, March 6.—The performance of the Canadian forces at Paardeberg during the assault on Cronje's position has been greatly applauded by the British officers. The Canadians fought in the thickest of the battle and were prevented from carrying Cronje's flag at the point of the bayonet only by imperative order to the contrary. Their gallantry is the universal theme.

5000 Arms Captured.

London, March 2, via Skagway, March 6.—With the surrender of Cronje the British have come into possession of 5000 small arms in addition to the captured artillery.

Casualties Growing.

London, March 2, via Skagway, March 6.—Including the losses sustained by Gen. Roberts' forces in the engagements leading up to the surrender of Gen. Cronje, the total British casualties to date are placed by the war office at 13,000 men. The total Boer loss is not known.

Claims To Be Fair's Widow.

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—A sensation was created today by Mrs. Nettie R. Craven, by her testimony in a suit

against the estate of the late Senator Fair for \$5000 a month, widow's allowance, since the death of the senator.

Mrs. Craven testified that she and Senator Fair were married by contract in June, 1892, and that one month later, at the request of her daughter Margaret, Senator Fair and Mrs. Craven were married by Justice of the Peace Simpton, of Sausalito.

Judge Simpton is living and will be called upon to substantiate Mrs. Craven's statement. The testimony of Mrs. Craven in this particular was totally unlooked for, and the facts which she swore to today have never appeared in any of the great mass of testimony heretofore offered in this case.

A New Government.

Victoria, B. C., March 3, via Skagway, March 6.—"Fighting Joe" Martin will form the new government for British Columbia.

Soudan Troubles.

Paris, Feb. 12.—An Associated Press dispatch to the Havas News agency from Cairo says:

"There is much anxiety here. There have been a number of grave incidents, notably the growing discontent in the Egyptian army, which has attained to a mutiny in two Soudanese battalions. The government has sent Gen. Wingate to parley with them. The army complains of bad treatment and the secret dispatch of Egyptian troops to South Africa. It appears certain that ten Maxims and a large consignment of saddles have gone to Durban, and a number of English officers and civil

functionaries have obtained an unlimited furlough to go to South Africa, which is believed to be a breach of Egypt's neutrality. The government is alarmed at the attitude of the black troops, and has asked the Khedive to intervene. The latter has sent a letter urging obedience, but the anxiety nevertheless continues. Egypt is almost denuded of European soldiers."

Pacific Cable.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce today decided, by a vote of 8 to 5, to report a Pacific cable bill along the lines of the Sherman bill, defeating by 5 to 8, the Carliss proposition for government ownership.

The vote in the committee does not commit the committee to the Sherman bill, as drawn, but only to the general idea which it contains of private ownership, with a government subsidy for 20 years. The bill was taken up today by the committee. Little progress was made.

The bill authorizes the postmaster general to contract with an American cable company for the payment by the United States of not to exceed \$400,000 per year, for 20 years, for the transmis-

sion of government messages from the Pacific coast to Honolulu, Guam, Manila, Hongkong and such points in Japan as the contractors, with the approval of the government of Japan, may select.

Must Be Frail.

Port Townsend, Feb. 13.—The new torpedo boat Goldsborough, recently completed at the yard of Wolff & Zwicker, Portland, arrived this morning on her way to Seattle, where her trial trip will be held as soon as possible to make it. The trip was set for the 8th inst., and a start was made from the Oregon metropolis in good time to have arrived before that date, but the dangerous bar at the mouth of the river made it impossible for the vessel to escape and she was, accordingly, tied up at Astoria. While there, one night, a terrific gale sprung up and buffeted the little vessel against the shaky dock, with the result that five of her shell plates under water were twisted and sprung out of shape.

It is for the purpose of investigating the Columbia river damage that the vessel will be drydocked at Port Orchard, preparatory to making her trial trip. On her trip down the river from Portland a place 14 miles long, on the Columbia, was run by the vessel in the remarkable time of 38 minutes.

The trip from Cape Disappointment, at the mouth of the river, to Cape Flattery, a distance of 132 miles, was made in six hours.

The Goldsborough is under command of Capt. Tatter, one of the best known navigators on the river, and he is enthusiastic in his praise of the behavior of the vessel.

Caught a Pickerell.

Nell Pickerell, brown eyes and black hair, weight 115, age 18, height 5 feet 7 inches, the irresistible maiden who persists in masquerading in male attire, was arrested last night about 10:30 o'clock at the Northern Pacific station by Patrolman Bark and Merchant Policeman Bryant. It took the two officers and one assistant to do it, for the girl is slippery, fleet of foot, and her lung power is strong. Miss Pickerell wore a dark suit, a soft hat, a necktie warm enough to warm her hands by in the evening air, and a picture of a handsome girl was pinned to the spot just over the heart. Her makeup would defy detection by any one who does not know her face. She had apparently just come from the tunnel on the Great Northern railroad, and had an escort.

When Miss Pickerell saw that the officers had detected her, she politely requested her escort to hold a long brown mackintosh she wore, and made a dart for a rock pile, where she picked up a stone. Miss Pickerell did not hurl it, for she was subdued by the gleam of a revolver which Officer Bryant drew. When she was taken to the patrol box she attempted to escape, and made a second unsuccessful dash for liberty when the patrol wagon arrived at police headquarters. Miss Pickerell thought her arrest unwarranted, and said so.—Seattle P. I.

The K. of P. Social Club.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the K. of P. Social Club, it was decided that the charter be kept open for admission of members under the charter membership fee of \$2 until April 1st, after which time the initiation fee will be \$5; the monthly dues was placed at \$2 per month.

The first and third Thursdays in each month was appointed as regular meeting nights, and it was decided to give an entertainment and ball in the near future, the committee to report to the special meeting to be held in McDonald hall, Thursday evening. The executive committee is composed of the following gentlemen: D. B. Olson, chairman; F. W. Clayton, secretary; N. A. Fuller, treasurer; J. L. Timmins, I. G. Horr, J. O. Bozarth.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

ARE GREAT WARRIORS

Recent British Victories Made Against Odds.

TO WHIP BOERS IS TO FIGHT HARD.

Julian Ralph on the Situation of Three Weeks Ago.

Every Up-To-Date Device Employed By South Africans—"A Modern Army Must Fight on Its Belly" or Be a Target for the Enemy.

New York, Feb. 13.—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: Mr. Julian Ralph, in a letter to the Daily Mail, from Modder river, says:

"British defeats at the hands of the Boers are due to the fact that the methods of modern warfare have been brought to a pause by the demonstrated power of the weapons of today.

"The essential qualities of the arms of 20 years ago are no longer the supreme necessities for success. The man behind the gun stands more supreme than ever.

"Dig a trench and line it with good shots, supported by modern artillery, and no enemy can advance in the face of them. They may be outflanked or starved, but while their ammunition holds out none can oust them, for they fill the whole plain over a radius of at least 4,000 yards with such a withering blast of shrapnel and rifle bullets that no troops can stand in the open before it."

Speaking of Magersfontein, he says: "The Boers there demonstrated the fact that, given a plain, field glasses, modern magazine rifles and quick-firing small guns, and the whole German army itself could not dislodge the 65,000 men of the two Boer republics by a frontal attack on those grass-edged trenches. Not 50,000 British could have beaten those 15,000 Boers, except at such a sacrifice of life as no commander would require or could be pardoned for occasioning."

"For a frontal attack the old military manuals declared that the attacking force must be three times that of the defending force, but today, with the new weapons, it is said that ten men must attack one.

"One of the most formidable new conditions of war which we are experiencing is one that we have never, or next to never, seen before, for there are men in our army who have never seen a Boer in battle. I know of officers who have seen only one or two in one battle and five or six in another.

"Our men have thrown themselves upon the velvet and have fired at the trenches of the enemy whom they could not see.

"At Modder river there were whole battalions of ours that did not know at the end of the day whether the enemy was north or south of the river.

"A European army fighting under European rules is a clumsy weapon against the Boer, who opposes us with weapons which tender one man as good as ten, and all ten invisible.

"We remember the old saying that an army moves upon its belly, and we paraphrase it to make it read, 'A modern army must fight upon its belly.'

"If Germany got in a trench that could not be turned, all the world could advance and be slaughtered, but not all the world could oust the Germans from that trench."

Nome Mail.

Seven sacks of mail from Nome and way points on the lower Yukon, arrived at the local postoffice last night. Only two sacks were directed to Dawson; the other five being addressed to the outside. Relay carriers left for Skagway with these five sacks early this morning.

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Presents a Serious Question Not Easily Solved.

Mine-Owners Assert That It Tends to Retard the Development of the Country.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
The system so generally in vogue in the Yukon, that of letting lays on mining claims, is peculiar to the country. Undoubtedly, it is the outgrowth of the bond and lease contracts, which obtain in the mineral bearing districts of British Columbia and the United States, but local customs and written agreements have so modified the character of "lays," that there exists only a mere resemblance between them and the formal contract of bond and lease. In fact, there are no legal precedents applicable to lawsuits, relating to the interpretation of lay agreements either express or implied, excepting such precedents as have been established by the territorial court in this judicial district. This mode of developing mining property was devised to meet the strange conditions existing here. Most of the claim owners, in the early days of the camp, were not able to bear the expenses necessarily incident to the development of their properties, others were not disposed to spend much money in prospect work, and their ground was opened by laymen. Perhaps many of the conditions which occasioned the custom, have passed away; it may be true that this manner of developing property has survived its usefulness; but it is questionable indeed if the time will ever come when lay agreements shall be totally discarded in the Yukon.

Whether the lay system is advantageous or not to the industry of mining in this territory is a serious question, and one not easily determined. Without doubt the misdirected efforts of men unskilled in mining who nevertheless secured lays on valuable property, have retarded the development of some good creeks. Sulphur is perhaps the most notable instance of the truth of this assertion. A year ago last fall innumerable lays were let by the claim owners on this tributary. As a general rule the laymen soon became dissatisfied and quit their properties; bad reports were based upon their judgment; and as a result wrong ideas respecting the worth of Sulphur properties were entertained by the people generally. It is only within the past six months that these false impressions have been eradicated, and the value of the creek has been established by the prospect and development work of the claim owners themselves.

There are two sides to every question, and the one in respect to lays is no exception to the rule. Most of the men who own claims assert that the custom of lays operates disadvantageously to the district generally. They contend that laymen do not thoroughly prospect the ground, and that they are too easily discouraged. When the claim has been abandoned by a layman its market value immediately decrease. On the other hand, it is affirmed that innumerable good claims have been opened by laymen, and that the system has been and is of incalculable benefit to the territory. A prominent mine owner who does not care to be quoted or the reason that several of his properties are let on lays, said:

"I believe that the conditions which gave rise to the lay custom are passing away. I do not favor the system for the reason that it does not tend to thoroughly prospect virgin ground; and the unsuccessful efforts of a layman too frequently place a false estimate on the worth of the property which he has abandoned. After this winter, I shall not let any claims on lays."
It is undoubtedly true that much dissatisfaction has been occasioned to

claim owners and miners by lay agreements; and it is a fact that the system is losing favor each successive season.

Balance All.

On the night of the 16th Mrs. John Manning at her roadhouse, 60 below on Bonanza, will give a St. Patrick's ball to which the general public is invited. A pleasant time is promised.

On the same occasion J. C. Shafer will give a dance at his roadhouse on Gold Bottom. Shafer's dances have been leading social functions on the creeks this winter. The landlord is a crack violinist and always makes his dances a success. Everybody is invited to his St. Patrick's hall.

FORREST CONVICTED.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Early in November he had requested and had received a deck of cards from the prisoner; that about three weeks afterwards, when the Cunningham affair was published, he examined the particular deck which he had in his possession and discovered that it was marked; that he gave these cards to Constable Booth, and that the marks on them were similar to those of the deck against which Cunningham had played.

Tom Chisholm and Thomas Sparks, on behalf of the defense, testified that they had no knowledge of marked cards having been in use at the Aurora; both of them swore positively that Cunningham and Booth, the latter particularly, attempted to extort money by threatening criminal prosecution. Forrest denied that he had dealt with marked cards, and corroborated Messrs. Chisholm and Sparks in their statements to the effect that Booth endeavored to secure a bribe, in consideration of which the officer agreed to drop the prosecution.

After the submission of the evidence, the arguments of counsel and the instructions of the justice, the jury retired and within ten minutes returned to the courtroom with a verdict of guilty. The prisoner will be sentenced some day during the present week. The penalty provided for the offense of which the prisoner has been found guilty is imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years. A fine, according to the statute, cannot be imposed.

The testimony deduced at the trial reflects great discredit upon Constables Booth and Cunningham. Booth is certainly a disgrace to the efficient force whose uniform he is permitted to wear. Were it not for the masterly efforts and resourceful mind of the crown prosecutor, Thomas Forrest would have been acquitted.

Tomorrow the cases of the Queen vs. Garton, charged with receiving stolen goods, and the Queen vs. McBeth, accused of stealing a dog team, will be called for trial. The actions of the Queen vs. Murphy and the Queen vs. La Plant are set for Tuesday, March 13th. The trial of civil cases will be resumed after the conclusion of Queen vs. La Plant. Friday, March 9th, and Monday, March 12th, will be devoted to the hearing of motions.

Taking It Easy.

It is said that there are people now on the trail between Bennett and this city, who have been traveling for 30 days and are yet some distance up the river. It is not that the trail is bad that they make such poor headway, but that they are hauling their sleds "by hand" and, being well supplied with provisions, feel that the more of the latter they eat the less heavy will be their loads.

Fire in Monroe's Cabin.

About 7:30 o'clock last evening the department responded to an alarm which was occasioned by a fire in Curly Monroe's cabin, situated on the north side of Fourth street, between Second and Third avenues. The firemen were obliged to break in the door and windows in order to play the water upon the blaze, and in a little while they succeeded in quenching the flames. The cabin was not destroyed; but the furnishings were either burned or in-

jured irreparably by water. The fire was evidently started by an overheated stove. When the blaze was discovered, Mr. Monroe, the occupant, was down town and the cabin was locked.

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. E. Ames is a guest at the Fairview.

J. R. Reed, of Gold Bottom, is in Dawson.

W. C. Leak is among the guests at the Fairview.

J. W. Patterson, of Bonanza creek, is visiting the city.

Hugh McKenzie, of Hunker creek, is a visitor to the city.

Joe Mock came to Dawson from the creeks yesterday.

Dan McLellan recently arrived in town from the outside.

Charles Wage and wife are registered at the Fairview.

Miss Celia Smith will leave for the outside tomorrow.

D. A. Campbell, from 4 above upper on Dominion, is in town.

Park Jewell, from 25 Gold Run, is spending a few days in town.

A. Chisholm, from 2, above upper on Dominion, is enjoying a short vacation in town.

Sam Stanley and wife returned yesterday from a short visit to Mr. Stanley's mining property.

Charles Worden and wife arrived in Dawson yesterday from the outside. They are at the Fairview.

M. F. French and Charles Baller were discharged yesterday from the Good Samaritan hospital as convalescent.

Thomas Lloyd and Thomas Trembley, superintendents at 17 Eldorado, are in town on business pertaining to the mine.

John Gock, a miner from American creek, arrived here yesterday. He will return to his properties before the end of the week.

Mr. F. H. Griffith will hereafter represent the N. A. T. & T. Co. on the creeks. Mr. Griffith has been associated with the company for some time, but intended leaving some days ago for the outside. The company, however, has made him such an advantageous offer that he has definitely decided to remain.

Insolvent.

The affairs of the Nugget Express are in liquidation. Messrs. Pattulo & Ridley state that a meeting of creditors of the express will be called and an assignment of all assets made to an administrator for the benefit of creditors. In reply to several inquiries made at this office, we will say that the Nugget Express was a separate and independent business enterprise and in no wise connected with the Klondike Nugget. This paper is in no way affected by the insolvency of the Nugget Express.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the K. of P. Social Club at McDonald hall on Thursday night. All members are requested to be present to hear the report of the executive committee.
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The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

First Boat for Nome.

Steamer W. K. Merwin, now lying on the Dawson water front, will be the first boat to leave for Nome. Capt. Talbot has rearranged the stateroom accommodations so that 84 berths are available for first class passengers. The Merwin is a staunch sea boat, 130 feet in length, built with deep draught for the Puget sound business, and those who were accustomed to travel on her on the Sound endorse the Merwin as the best sea boat on the Yukon river.

safe and seaworthy for the trip from the mouth of the river to Cape Nome. Through tickets to Nome are now on sale at Yukon Dock.

R. A. TALBOT, Master.
c-7. FRANK J. KINGHORN, Agent.

Public Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ellen Acklen and Charles George Johnson have purchased from the government the 76 34 acres known as the Acklen ground, and that therefore they are entitled to all the surface rights thereon.

All persons who have squatted there are hereby notified that they must settle with the above named proprietors of the ground before the 1st day of April, 1900 for any part of the ground occupied by them on the lines of the agreement entered into by the said proprietors with the Government, communication of which agreement can be had either at the Crown Timber Office or at the office of S. M. Graff, Agent, Room "D" A. C. Co's Bldg.

Squatters failing to settle with the said proprietors before the said date will render themselves liable to removal.
Dawson, 17th of February, 1900.
(Signed) F. X. G. SELIN,
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GOLDEN IS BROUGHT BACK

On Criminal Warrant Sworn Out by Thomas Sparks.

Had Sold Property Entrusted to Him and Failed to Settle—Former Partner of Joseph Selix.

From Saturday's Daily.

Frank J. Golden, formerly proprietor of the Juneau Hardware store, on Second avenue, started for Nome on a bicycle at 4 o'clock this morning, and 5 1/2 hours later, at 9:30, a policeman with Tom Chisholm's 2:33 1/2 dog team started in pursuit. Each dog was given a spoonful of gunpowder before starting; the policeman and driver each took two spoonfuls, with the result that Golden was overhauled 18 miles down the river and was back in Dawson by 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The pursuing officer was armed with a warrant for the ex-merchant's arrest, which was issued at the instigation of Thos. Sparks, for whom Golden had sold a lot of tram car wheels and neglected to turn over the money, amounting to \$160. The name of the officer making the remarkably speedy trip was not learned, as he had not returned from the barracks, to which place he escorted his prisoner on returning to the city, therefore he was not seen by the reporter.

Golden was a partner of Joe Selix up to the time the latter was arrested for knowingly receiving goods stolen by O'Day from the Yukon Iron works, for which both the thief and receiver have but lately been discharged, after serving two months' terms in the district jail.

Golden is now in jail, but he has several friends of both means and influence, and it is likely that they will rally to his support.

Challenge From Fitzsimmons.

New York, Feb. 18.—Bob Fitzsimmons today posted \$5000 with the sporting editor of the New York Journal as a forfeit to bind another match with Jim Jeffries, and issued an open challenge to any fighter in the world.

The ex-champion said that his money would remain up under the following conditions: To give Jeffries first chance, providing he would sign articles now.

"I don't care when the fight will take place," said Fitzsimmons. "All I want to know is that Jeffries means business. If Jeffries does not show any desire to meet me and cover my money within a week, I will take on Sharkey. But the fight with the sailor must be for a side bet, and the winner to take all. I will meet Jeffries under same conditions. If Sharkey is not prepared to come to terms, McCoy or any middleweight can have a match with me."

Congressman Dead.

New York, Feb. 13.—Congressman Charles A. Chickering, of Copenhagen, N. Y., was found dead outside the Grand Union hotel in this city today. He had either fallen or jumped from the fourth story window of the hotel. The body was found at 5 a. m. under the open window of his room, which was on the fourth floor. Evidently it had been lying there for some time, as the clothing was saturated with rain.

Chickering's friends have been aware that for some time he was afflicted with melancholia following a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Anti-Trust Conference.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—After a heated debate the resolutions committee of the anti trust conference decided to report in favor of government ownership of railroads and for their seizure on payment of actual value and without payment for "watered stock or other fictitious values." There was a sharp discussion in the committee and several tilts between members, brought on by an effort to make the platform read, as it had been drawn up, that the government should seize the railroads on

payment of actual values, "and without payment for actual values." Unanimous action was finally obtained by cutting out the words "franchise values" and inserting instead the phrase, "watered stock or other fictitious values." The committee also unanimously favored direct popular legislation as a means of obtaining the result.

Last Night's Dance.

A pleasant dance was given last night at the Dawson Dancing Academy in the McDonald hall, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. G. K. French. There were present about 40 invited guests. The program consisted of 21 numbers, and the strains of "Home, Sweet Home," did not disperse the dancers until 2 o'clock this morning. Colation was served at midnight. An orchestra of eight pieces, under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Mauzey, rendered good music. Prof. James Duffy managed the affair.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George K. French, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. M. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mahoney, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McCaul, Mesdames Alex. McDonald, Calderhead, Mrs. W. Barrett, M. R. West, Misses Gandolfo, Mosher, Comer, Smith, Booge, the Misses de Lobel, Messrs. J. Wiley, Marks, C. F. Smith, Rumsey, Tiffen, Norris, Yemans, McDougal, Buck, Byrne, Vashon, De Lobel and Capt. D. B. Olson.

POLICE COURT.

Capt. Stearnes occupied the bench as police magistrate this morning, the first case being that of the Crown vs. Geo. Hillyer, more extensive mention of which is made elsewhere in this paper.

Arthur Gagny, a Frenchman, charged with having knowingly received stolen money, a portion of Hillyer's alleged theft, was held in the sum of \$400 for his appearance this afternoon, Messrs. Binnett and Hammel going on his bond.

F. Geisley and F. King adjusted a matter of money without the case being tried. The latter acknowledged the former's claim and agreed to pay him \$125 tomorrow, and the balance, a similar amount, in 15 days.

In the land where magnolia blooms are two feet in diameter and where "cotton am king, sah," many a negro has been tried, convicted, sentenced, hung and his widow remarried all in less time than it took to try a dog case this morning, and it was only an ordinary 'possum dog at that. Albert Moss who had purchased the dog at Skagway last March, at which time he received a bill of sale, was up on the charge of having stolen the same dog which is also claimed by Day Bros. & Bell. The plaintiffs had an entire precinct in as witnesses, but the real ownership of the dog was not proven, but it was proven that all parties to the suit were honest in believing themselves the proper owners. The charge against Moss was dismissed, the court stating that the case had no business on the criminal docket. As to the ownership of the dog, the case will probably be brought in civil court.

Weather Report.

The minimum temperature last night was 35 degrees below zero.

At 9 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 33 degrees below.

At noon the official instrument recorded 10 degrees below.

Board of Trade.

Tonight, 8 o'clock, is the time for the regular monthly meeting of the Dawson Board of Trade at which time it is desired that each member in the city be present, as there is a large amount of important business to come before the meeting.

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